

Appl. No. 09/804,389
Amdt. dated August 25 2003
Reply to Office action of July 8 2003

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

As Examiner knows, Applicants have been attempting to express in claim 12 the fact that elements 33 and 53 in FIG. 6 never touch. Applicants had hoped to do so by specifying that element 53 is wholly within element 40, which abuts element 33. Since, however, the Examiner is not viewing the phrase "wholly within" in the same way Applicants view it, Applicants have amended claim 12 to reflect the fact that element 53 does not extend as far down as the top surface of element 33 and therefor never touches it.

In consideration of this amendment to claim 12, applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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